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SUBJECT:MORE ON VIEW HELD BY FINANCE MINISTER

RABINOWITZ

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1. IN CONVERSATION BETWEEN RCON COUNSELOR AND AVRAHAM AGMON, DG MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ON APRIL 30 QUESTION CAME UP RE RABINOWITZ' VIES ON BREAKDOWN IN RECENT ISRAELI/ EGYPTIAN NEGOTIATIONS. AGMON CONFIRMED THA RABINOWITZ WAS INDEED VERY CONCERNED BUT STRESSED THAT HIS CONCERN WAS IN FIRST INSTANCE OVER IMPLICATIONS FOR PEACE AND LIKELY FURTHER ISOLATION OF ISRAEL. AS MINISTER OF FINANCE RABINOWITZ NATURALLY WAS CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE IMPACT ON LEVEL OF US AID BUT, IN AGMON'S VIEW, THIS CONCERN WAS SECONDARY. AGMON SAID THT ON ARAB QUESTION RABINOWITZ IS AS QUOTE DOVISH AS SAPIR UNQUOTE.

2. ON IMPLICATIONS OF ANY SHORTFALL IN FY-76 ADI REQUEST AGMIN REITERATED VIEW REPORTED IN REFTEL, WITH ADDITIONAL COMMENT THAT REAL QUESTION WOULD BE WHETHER REDUCTIONS COULD BE MADE IN MILITARY IMPORTS WITHOUT ENDANGERING ISRAEL'S SECURITY. HE SAID THT SINCE BULK OF AID REQUEST WAS FOR MILITARY ITEMS ISRAEL OBVIOUSLY WOULD NEED LESS FINANCING IF THESE IMPORTS WERE CUT OR

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STRETCHED OUT GOI POSITION OF COURSE WAS THAT LEVEL
OF IMPORTS PROJECTD IN QUOTE BLUE PAPER UNQUOTE WAS
NECESSARY FOR ISRAEL' SECURITY.
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